Setting up of Colour Cine Films Project of HPF in Tamil Nadu

1235. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has urged the Central Government to set up the Colour Cine Film Project of the Hindustan Photo Films in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in this behalf?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had brought to the notice of the Government regarding Hindustan Photo Films (HPF) proposal for manufacture of Cine Colour Films. Pradeshiya Industrial and Investment Corporation of U.P. Ltd. (PICUP) had already been granted a Letter of Intent (LOI) for manufacture of Cine Colour Films, Colour Paper etc. for an annual capacity of 13 million Sq. meters. The project could meet the indigenous requirements of Cine Colour Films, when implemented. In case PICUP is unable to implement the Project, the possibility of considering the proposal for manufacture of Cine Colour Films by HPF could be exmined subsequently.

Post Graduate Institute of Medical Research and Education in Tamil Nadu

1236. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start a Post Graduate Institute of Medical Research and Education in Tamil Nadu on the lines of JIPMER in Pondicherry; and

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be started and at which place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) There is no such proposal with Government of India. However, Tamil Nadu Government have established an Institute by name Tamilnadu ARASU MEDICAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE (TAMARAI) at Porur near Madras as an autonomous Society on the lines of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, JIPMER, Pondicherry etc.

Financial crisis in the National Council for Cement and Building Materials

1237. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Council for Cement and Building Materials, a premier research and development institute, is in deep financial crisis;

(b) whether the industry has stopped paying contributions to this Institute after de-control of cement;

(c) whether Government have also discontinued grants-in-aid to this Institute; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken on the representation of the staff association of this Institute to activate the Institute?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Following total decontrol of cement in 1989, a large number of cement producers who were contributing to National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) @ 75 Paise per tonne of cement produced, have discontinued their contribution and only a few cement companies have continued remittance.